The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am concerned that the \$500 I spent for Sony/Directv equipment will be made obsolete by the EchoStar-Directv merger - unless you make sure that they keep broadcast formats backwards compatible. At the moment, I am against a merger - competition is good.

Sincerely,

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